New Research, Upcoming Webinars, and Resource Page Updates

- **Accelerating Digital Health To Achieve Equitable Delivery Of The COVID-19 Vaccine**, (2021) by Shantanu Nundy, Kavita K. Patel, and Mark Sendak, Health Affairs
- **Five Urgent Public Health Policies To Combat The Mental Health Effects Of COVID-19**, (2021) by Cindy B. Veldhuis, Elizabeth Stuart, and M. Daniele Fallin, Health Affairs
- **What’s the hold up? Why more vaccines haven’t been administered**, (2021) by Elaine Kamarck, Brookings Institute
- **CSIS**:
  - RESOURCE: [Immunizing the World in a Novel Pandemic](#)
  - ANALYSIS: [New Variants Rattle the World](#)
  - PODCASTS: [Céline Gounder “Fatalism is the Greatest Threat to Public Health” (Coronavirus Crisis Update)](#) and [Prioritizing Primary Care in a Global Pandemic](#) (Pandemic Planet)
  - RECORDING: [Variants rattle the world](#)
  - RECORDING: [Trusting a Covid-19 Vaccine: The Role of the Media and Misinformation](#)
  - WEBINAR: [A Global Approach to Covid-19 Vaccination](#), February 10th, 2021 at 1-2pm EST
- **APHA**:
  - [The Need for Novel Approaches in Assessing the Value of COVID-19 Vaccines](#) (AJPH)
  - [Blood Donation and COVID-19: Reconsidering the 3-Month Deferral Policy for Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Other Men Who Have Sex With Men](#) (AJPH)
  - [Comprehensive Review of COVID-19 Vaccine Data Provides Roadmap to Improve US Rollout](#)
  - [Get Covered 2021 Coalition Applauds President Biden’s Executive Order Enacting a National Special Enrollment Period to Provide Americans with Access to Health Insurance](#)
WEBINAR: COVID-19 Action in the Biden Era: A Fireside Chat with Dr. Fauci”, February 9th, 2021 at 12noon – 1pm ET.

WEBINAR: Building Confidence in COVID Vaccination by the World Federation of Public Health Associations (International Immunization Policy Task Force) February 17th, 2021 7-8:30am ET.

WEBINAR: Preparing for the next pandemic: A conversation with Africa CDC Director John Nkengasong, by Brookings Institute, February 12th, 2021 9-10am ET.

WEBINAR: Listening to Indigenous Wisdom in this Time of Disruption by Essential Conversations, February 15th, 2021 at 8-9:30am CT/ 9-10:30am ET.


Policy Statements and Updates

Press Briefing by White House COVID-19 Response Team & Public Health Officials

Today at 11:00 am ET, the White House COVID-19 Response Team and federal public health officials will hold a press briefing to discuss the status of the federal government’s COVID-19 pandemic response.

Participants will include:
- Dr. Rochelle Walensky, Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
- Dr. Anthony Fauci, Director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases and chief medical advisor to the president
- Dr. Marcella Nunez-Smith, COVID-19 Health Equity Task Force Chair
- Andy Slavitt, Senior Advisor to the White House COVID-19 Response Team

To watch the briefing at 11:00 am ET, please join online HERE.

Future briefings will be held on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 11 am ET and can be streamed at: https://www.whitehouse.gov/live/. These will also be noted in the CDC COVID-19 daily newsletter. To subscribe to this newsletter, please email CDCWNCoVResponse@cdc.gov.